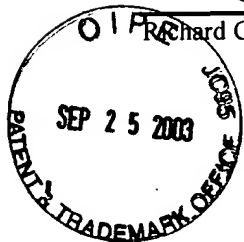


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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the official office action dated March 12, 2003 the applicant provisionally elects Group I with traverse. The restriction requirement is respectfully submitted to be improper as all the claims are directed to a single invention that is the application of a stick-on sheeting material to a surface disposed between a user and a support with which the user is in sliding engagement. The surface to which the stick-on sheeting material may be attached may be: on the support, as in Group VI, Group VII, Group VIII, and Group IX; on the users apparel, as in Group III, Group IV, and Group V; on an apparatus disposed between the user and the

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support, as in Group I; or, on both the support and the apparatus, as in Group II.

In view of the foregoing the applicant respectfully requests that the requirement be withdrawn upon reconsideration

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